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Application No. Applicant(s) 10/805,040 HONJOH ET AL. Notice of Allowability Examiner Art Unit MARK PRENTY -- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308. 1. This communication is responsive to the papers filed on March 18, 2004 and June 9, 2004. 2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-18. 3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) 🛛 All b) Some* c) None of the: 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * Certified copies not received: _____. Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements. noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application. THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE. 4. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient. 5. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted. (a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached 1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date ___ (b) I including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d). 6. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL. Attachment(s) 1. ☑ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 5. Notice of Informal Patent Application 2. Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) 6. Interview Summary (PTO-413). Paper No./Mail Date 3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08), 7. Examiner's Amendment/Comment Paper No./Mail Date 3/18/04 Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit 8. Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance of Biological Material 9. Other ___

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Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the prior art

does not disclose or suggest the claimed semiconductor device as a whole, including

the switching element.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later

than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably

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